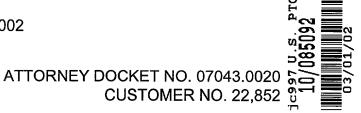


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New U.S. Patent Application

Title: HEAT TREATMENT APPARATUS USING A LAMP FOR RAPIDLY

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Sir:

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- 1. Application- 129 pages, including 8 independent claims and 37 claims total.
- 2. Drawings- 36 sheets of drawings containing 47 figures.
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Applicants claim the right to priority based on Japanese Application Nos. 2001-058266, 2001-059296, 2001-072317 and 2001-071548, filed March 2, 2001, March 14, 2001 and March 14, 2001, respectively.

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